1 2 3 4 5 6 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 7 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT SEATTLE 8 9 TIMOTHY KUNCL and KATRINA KUNCL, 10 Individually and as Husband and Wife; R.K. K.K., S.K. and A.K., minor children, 11 12 Plaintiffs, 13 v. 14 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA; and 15 UNKNOWN JOHN DOES AND JOHN DOE CLINICS, 16 17 Defendants. 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28

Case No. C16-337RSM

ORDER DENYING DEFENDANT'S MOTION FOR A CONTINUANCE AND **GRANTING STIPULATION** 

This matter comes before the Court on Defendant United States of America's Motion for a Continuance, Dkt. #20, and the Agreed Stipulation and Order Regarding Trial, Dkt. #21. The Court has reviewed the briefing of the parties and finds that good cause has not been established by the Government for a 60-day extension of the trial date and related deadlines. The Government has submitted no real evidence to support a good cause finding, arguing without citation that "[s]ettlement by the United States involves input and scrutiny at several levels, and more time is needed for that process to proceed." Dkt. #20 at 2.

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However, pursuant to the Stipulation above, the Court finds good cause for a 30-day extension. Accordingly, the Court hereby finds and ORDERS that:

- 1) Defendant's Motion to Continue (Dkt. #20) is DENIED.
- 2) The Agreed Stipulation and Order Regarding Trial (Dkt. #21) is GRANTED. The trial date and all pre-trial deadlines in this matter shall be extended. The Court's next available trial date is November 20, 2017. The Court will issue a revised scheduling order consistent with this trial date.

DATED this 11th day of September, 2017.

RICARDO S. MARTINEZ CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE